

activation by a user is sufficient to form a continuous seal against a target surface.

51 97. The storage wrap of Claim 96, wherein said active side is activatable by an externally applied force exerted upon said sheet of material, said externally applied force being selected from one or more of the group consisting of: a compressive force and a tensile force.

52 98. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side exhibits an adhesion peel force of at least about 1 ounce per inch width after activation by a user.

Cal Cont 53 99. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side may be selectively activated in discrete regions by a user.

54 100. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side may be activated by compression against a target surface.

55 101. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said adhesion peel force after activation is sufficient to form a barrier seal against a target surface, said seal exhibiting barrier properties at least as great as those of said sheet of material.

56 102. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein both said first side and said second side comprise active sides of said material.

REMARKS

Amendments

Upon entry of this amendment Claim 38 will be the sole remaining independent claim from the above-identified application. Claim 82 has been amended to depend from Claim 41 and Claims 19 and 89 have been amended to depend from Claim 82.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the Claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

After entry of the above amendments, Claims 1-20, 38-57, 75, 78-81, and 86-102 will be pending in the above-identified application and are before the Examiner. No addition claims fee is believed necessary.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT and PROVISIONAL ELECTION OF SPECIES

The Examiner has required and election of species is required under 35 U.S.C. §121. The Examiner indicates that Applicants are required to identify a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. The Examiner requires election based on the following groups:

Group I, Claims 1-20, 75, 78, 84-85

Group II, Claims 21-29, 76

Group III, Claims 30-37, 67-74, 77

Group IV, Claims 38-57, 79-81

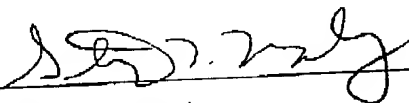
Group V, Claims 58-66, 76, 82-83.

Applicants elect embodiments of the storage wrap material which are represented by Group IV. Claims 1 and 75 have been amended to depend from Claim 38, therefore Applicants submit that these amended Claims are properly included in the present election.

After entry of the above amendments, Claims 1-20, 38-57, 75, 78-81, and 86-102 will be pending in the above-identified application and are before the Examiner.

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Amended Claims
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1. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 75, wherein the ~~comprising: a sheet of material having a first side and a second side, said sheet of material having a gauge in the range from about 0.0001 inches to about 0.002 inches, said first side comprising an active side exhibiting an adhesion peel force after activation by a user that is greater than an adhesion peel force exhibited prior to activation by a user and that is sufficient to form a continuous seal against a target surface, wherein said sheet of material is linerless, such that activation of said active side requires no removal of components of said sheet of material, said sheet of material being sufficiently flexible to conform readily to a desired surface and having sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause said sheet of material to break contact with such a desired surface.~~

75. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 38, wherein the ~~comprising: a sheet of material having a first side and a second side, said sheet of material having a gauge in the range from about 0.0001 inches to about 0.002 inches, said first side comprising an active side exhibiting an adhesion peel force after activation by a user that is greater than an adhesion peel force exhibited prior to activation by a user and that is sufficient to form a seal against a target surface, wherein said sheet of material is linerless, such that activation of said active side requires no removal of components of said sheet of material, said sheet of material being sufficiently flexible to conform readily to a desired surface and having sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause said sheet of material to break contact with such a desired surface.~~

80. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 75, wherein the ~~comprising: a sheet of material having a first side and a second side, said sheet of material having a gauge in the range from about 0.0001 inches to about 0.002 inches, said first side comprising an active side exhibiting an adhesion peel force after activation by a user that is greater than an adhesion peel force exhibited prior to activation by a user and that is sufficient to form a seal against a target surface, wherein said sheet of material is linerless, such that activation of said active side requires no removal of components of said sheet of material, said sheet of material has being sufficiently flexible to conform readily to a desired surface and having sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause the seal to fail.~~

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38. A storage wrap material comprising: a sheet of material having a first side and a second side, said sheet of material having a gauge in the range from about 0.0001 inches to about 0.002 inches, said first side comprising an active side exhibiting an adhesion peel force after activation by a user that is greater than an adhesion peel force exhibited prior to activation by a user, wherein said sheet of material is linerless, such that activation of said active side requires no removal of components of said sheet of material, said sheet of material being sufficiently flexible to conform readily to a desired surface and having sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause said sheet of material to break contact with such a desired surface.

39. The storage wrap of Claim 38, wherein said active side is activatable by an externally applied force exerted upon said sheet of material.

40. The storage wrap of Claim 39, wherein said active side is activatable by a compressive force.

41. The storage wrap of Claim 40, wherein said compressive force is required to be at least about 0.1 psi to activate said active side.

42. The storage wrap of Claim 40, wherein said compressive force is exerted in a direction substantially normal to said sheet of material.

43. The storage wrap of Claim 39, wherein said active side is activatable by a tensile force.

44. The storage wrap of Claim 43, wherein said tensile force is required to be at least about 0.80 pounds per inch of strip width to activate said active side.

45. The storage wrap of Claim 43, wherein said tensile force is exerted in a direction substantially parallel to said sheet of material.

46. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said active side exhibits an adhesion peel force of at least about 1 ounce per inch width after activation by a user.

47. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said active side may be selectively activated in discrete regions by a user.

48. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said adhesion peel force after activation is sufficient to form a barrier seal against a target surface, said seal exhibiting barrier properties at least as great as those of said sheet of material.

49. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein both said first side and said second side comprise active sides of said material.

50. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said active side when activated forms a bond with a target surface, said bond being selected from one or more of the group consisting of: a discontinuous bond, a permanent bond, a refastenable bond, a resealable bond and a releasable bond.

51. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said sheet of material comprises a polymeric film material.

52. The storage wrap material of Claim 51, wherein said polymeric film material is selected from the group consisting of: a substantially translucent polymeric film material and a substantially transparent polymeric film material.

53. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said active side comprises a plurality of three dimensional non-adherent protrusions extending outwardly from said sheet of material and a pressure-sensitive adhesive surrounding said non-adherent protrusions, said adhesive having a thickness less than the height of said non-adherent protrusions before activation.

54. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said sheet of material is clingless and exhibits no adhesion peel force prior to activation by a user.

55. The storage wrap of Claim 38, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive has a thickness in the range from about 0.0005 inches to about 0.002 inches.

56. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said active side includes a pressure sensitive adhesive.

57. The storage wrap material of Claim 38, wherein said sheet of material is clingless and exhibits no adhesion peel force prior to activation by a user.

79. The storage wrap of Claim 53, wherein said sheet of material and said pressure sensitive adhesive have a combined thickness in the range of from about 0.0006 inches and about 0.012 inches.

75. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 38, wherein the adhesion peel force after activation by a user is sufficient to form a seal against a target surface.

80. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 75, wherein the sheet of material has sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause the seal to fail.

81. A storage wrap material according to Claim 80 wherein the sheet has sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces which would tend to cause the seal to fail such that preservation of perishable items is no longer ensured.

1. (Amended) A storage wrap material according to Claim 75, wherein the adhesion peel force after activation by a user is sufficient to form a continuous seal against a target surface.

2. The storage wrap of Claim 1, wherein said active side is activatable by an externally applied force exerted upon said sheet of material.

3. The storage wrap of Claim 2, wherein said active side is activatable by a compressive force.

4. The storage wrap of Claim 3, wherein said compressive force is required to be at least about 0.1 psi to activate said active side.

5. The storage wrap of Claim 3, wherein said compressive force is exerted in a direction substantially normal to said sheet of material.

6. The storage wrap of Claim 2, wherein wherein said active side is activatable by a tensile force.

7. The storage wrap of Claim 6, wherein said tensile force is required to be at least about 0.80 pounds per inch of strip width to activate said active side.

8. The storage wrap of Claim 6, wherein said tensile force is exerted in a direction substantially parallel to said sheet of material.

9. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said active side exhibits an adhesion peel force of at least about 1 ounce per inch width after activation by a user.

10. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said active side may be selectively activated in discrete regions by a user.

11. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said adhesion peel force after activation is sufficient to form a barrier seal against a target surface, said seal exhibiting barrier properties at least as great as those of said sheet of material.
12. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein both said first side and said second side comprise active sides of said material.
13. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said active side when activated forms a bond with a target surface, said bond being selected from one or more of the group consisting of: a permanent bond, a refastenable bond, a resealable bond and a releasable bond.
14. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said sheet of material comprises a polymeric film material.
15. The storage wrap material of Claim 14, wherein said polymeric film material is selected from the group consisting of: a substantially translucent polymeric film material and a substantially transparent polymeric film material.
16. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said active side comprises a plurality of three dimensional non-adherent protrusions extending outwardly from said sheet of material and a pressure-sensitive adhesive surrounding said non-adherent protrusions, said adhesive having a thickness less than the height of said non-adherent protrusions before activation.
17. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said sheet of material is clingless and exhibits no adhesion peel force prior to activation by a user.
18. The storage wrap of Claim 1, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive has a thickness in the range from about 0.0005 inches to about 0.002 inches.
19. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said active side includes a pressure sensitive adhesive.
20. The storage wrap material of Claim 1, wherein said sheet of material is clingless and exhibits no adhesion peel force prior to activation by a user.
78. The storage wrap of Claim 16, wherein said sheet of material and said pressure sensitive adhesive have a combined thickness in the range of from about 0.0006 inches and about 0.012 inches.

86. A storage wrap material comprising a sheet of non-porous material having a first side and a second side, said sheet of material having a gauge in the range of about 0.0001 inches to about 0.002 inches, said first side comprising an active side exhibiting an adhesion peel force after activation by a user that is greater than an adhesion peel force exhibited prior to activation by a user, said sheet of material being sufficiently flexible to conform readily to a desired surface and having sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces that would tend to cause said sheet of material to break contact with such a desired surface.

87. The storage wrap of Claim 86, wherein said active side is activatable by an externally applied force exerted upon said sheet of material, said externally applied force being selected from one or more of the group consisting of: a compressive force and a tensile force.

88. The storage wrap material of Claim 86, wherein said active side exhibits an adhesion peel force of at least about 1 ounce per inch width after activation by a user.

89. The storage wrap material of Claim 86, wherein said active side may be selectively activated in discrete regions by a user.

90. The storage wrap material of Claim 86, wherein said active side may be activated by compression against a target surface.

91. The storage wrap material of Claim 86, wherein said adhesion peel force after activation is sufficient to form a barrier seal against a target surface, said seal exhibiting barrier properties at least as great as those of said sheet of material.

92. The storage wrap material of Claim 86, wherein both said first side and said second side comprise active sides of said material.

93. A storage wrap material according to Claim 86, wherein the adhesion peel force after activation by a user is sufficient to form a seal against a target surface.

94. A storage wrap material according to Claim 93, wherein a compressive force of at least 0.1 psi is required to activate said active side, said sheet of material is sufficiently flexible to conform readily to any desired surface and has sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue restorative forces which would tend to cause the seal to fail.

95. A storage wrap material according to Claim 94 wherein the sheet has sufficiently small resiliency that it does not exert undue resorative forces which would tend to cause the seal to fail such that preservation of perishable items is no longer ensured.

96. A storage wrap material according to Claim 93, wherein the adhesion peel force after activation by a user is sufficient to form a continuous seal against a target surface.

97. The storage wrap of Claim 96, wherein said active side is activatable by an externally applied force exerted upon said sheet of material, said externally applied force being selected from one or more of the group consisting of: a compressive force and a tensile force.

98. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side exhibits an adhesion peel force of at least about 1 ounce per inch width after activation by a user.

99. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side may be selectively activated in discrete regions by a user.

100. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said active side may be activated by compression against a target surface.

101. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein said adhesion peel force after activation is sufficient to form a barrier seal against a target surface, said seal exhibiting barrier properties at least as great as those of said sheet of material.

102. The storage wrap material of Claim 96, wherein both said first side and said second side comprise active sides of said material.